## What is claimed is:

- 1 1. An evaluation wiring pattern construction for evaluating
- 2 reliability of a semiconductor device, said pattern construction
- 3 comprising a wiring configuration,
- 4 wherein a first wiring layer is connected to a second wiring
- 5 layer with a plurality of via plugs formed in an insulating layer
- 6 which is placed between said first wiring layer and said second
- 7 wiring layer,
- 8 wherein said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer
- 9 are made of metals having almost same specific resistances, and
- 10 wherein each different parasitic resistances is put to at
- 11 least one of said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer
- 12 connected to each of said plurality of via plugs.
- 1 2. An evaluation wiring pattern construction for evaluating
- 2 reliability of a semiconductor device, said pattern construction
- 3 comprising a wiring configuration,
- 4 wherein a first wiring layer is connected to a second wiring
- 5 layer with a plurality of via plugs formed in an insulating layer
- 6 which is placed between said first wiring layer and said second
- 7 wiring layer,
- 8 wherein said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer
- 9 are made of metals having almost same specific resistances, and
- 10 wherein said first wiring layer comprises a main wiring
- 11 portion in which current flows in common, and a plurality of branch
- 12 wiring portions each connected to a corresponding one of said
- 13 plurality of via plugs so that a current flows with different
- 14 resistance to a plurality of current paths respectively through

- 15 said plurality of via plugs from said main wiring portion in said
- 16 plurality of current paths through said plurality of via plugs.
- 1 3. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 2, wherein said plurality of branch wiring portions each
- 3 connected to said corresponding one of said plurality of via plugs
- 4 in said first wiring layer are different from each other in length.
- 1 4. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 3, wherein said plurality of said branch wiring portion are
- 3 formed to have stepwise great lengths from one side to another
- 4 side of said plurality of via plugs.
- 1 5. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 2, wherein said plurality of branch wiring portions each
- 3 connected to a corresponding one of said plurality of via plugs
- 4 in said first wiring layer are different from each other in length.
- 1 6. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 2, wherein said second wiring layer comprises a main wiring
- 3 portion in which current flows in common and a plurality of branch
- 4 wiring portions each connected to a corresponding one of said
- 5 plurality of via plugs so that a current flows with different
- 6 resistance to a plurality of current paths respectively through
- 7 said plurality of via plugs from said main wiring portion in said
- 8 plurality of current paths through said plurality of via plugs.
- 1 7. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 1, wherein said plurality of via plugs is evenly spaced at

- 3 almost regular intervals in line.
- 1 8. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 7, wherein said plurality of via plugs have same shape.
- 1 9. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 2, wherein said plurality of via plugs is evenly spaced at
- 3 almost regular intervals in line.
- 1 10. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 9, wherein said plurality of via plugs have same shape.
- 1 11. An evaluation method for evaluating reliability of a
- 2 semiconductor device, using an evaluation wiring pattern
- 3 construction comprising a wiring configuration in which a first
- 4 wiring layer is connected to a second wiring layer with a plurality
- 5 of via plugs formed in an insulating layer which is placed between
- 6 said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer, in which
- 7 said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer are made of
- 8 metals having almost same specific resistances, and in which each
- 9 different parasitic resistances is put to at least one of said
- 10 first wiring layer and said second wiring layer connected to each
- 11 of said plurality of via plugs,
- 12 wherein a time-variation of resistance is measured flowing
- 18 a constant current between a first wiring layer and a second wiring
- 14 layer.
- 1 12. An evaluation method for evaluating reliability of a
- 2 semiconductor device, using an evaluation wiring pattern

- 3 construction comprising a wiring configuration in which a first
- 4 wiring layer is connected to a second wiring layer with a plurality
- 5 of via plugs formed in an insulating layer which is placed between
- 6 said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer, in which
- 7 said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer are made of
- 8 metals having almost same specific resistances, and in which said
- 9 first wiring layer comprises a main wiring portion in which
- 10 current flows in common and a plurality of branch wiring portions
- 11 each connected to a corresponding one of said plurality of via
- 12 plugs so that a current flows with different resistance to a
- 13 plurality of current paths respectively through said plurality
- 14 of via plugs from said main wiring portion in said plurality of
- 15 current paths through said plurality of via plugs.
- wherein a time-variation of resistance is measured flowing
- 17 a constant current between a first wiring layer and a second wiring
- 18 layer.
- 1 13. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 12, wherein said plurality of branch wiring portions each
- 3 connected to a corresponding one of said plurality of via plugs
- 4 in said first wiring layer are different from each other in length.
- 1 14. The evaluation wiring pattern construction according to
- 2 claim 13, wherein a length of said branch wiring portion is formed
- 3 to have stepwise great lengths from one side to another side of
- 4 said plurality of via plugs.
- 1 15. A semiconductor device having an evaluation wiring pattern
- 2 construction for evaluating reliability of a semiconductor device,

- 3 said pattern construction comprising a wiring configuration,
- 4 wherein a first wiring layer is connected to a second wiring
- 5 layer with a plurality of via plugs formed in an insulating layer
- 6 which is placed between said first wiring layer and said second
- 7 wiring layer,
- 8 wherein said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer
- 9 are made of metals having almost same specific resistances, and
- wherein each different parasitic resistances is put to at
- 11 least one of said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer
- 12 connected to each of said plurality of via plugs.
- 1 16. A semiconductor device having an evaluation wiring pattern
- 2 construction for evaluating reliability of a semiconductor device,
- 3 said pattern construction comprising a wiring configuration,
- 4 wherein a first wiring layer is connected to a second wiring
- 5 layer with a plurality of via plugs formed in an insulating layer
- 6 which is placed between said first wiring layer and said second
- 7 wiring layer,
- 8 wherein said first wiring layer and said second wiring layer
- 9 are made of metals having almost same specific resistances, and
- wherein said first wiring layer comprises a main wiring
- 11 portion in which current flows in common and a plurality of branch
- 12 wiring portions each connected to a corresponding one of said
- 13 plurality of via plugs so that a current flows with different
- 14 resistance to a plurality of current paths respectively through
- 15 said plurality of via plugs from said main wiring portion in said
- 16 plurality of current paths through said plurality of via plugs.